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30 October 1970

MEMORANDUM FOR: EA/TR

SUBJECT : Weekly Activities Report

1. Language School Chief and Deputy Chief attended an Interagency Language Roundtable meeting on 23 October. The meeting was hosted by Dean James Frith, Director FSI Language Training Center. FSI personnel briefed on certain of their developmental activities and on language training materials published in the immediate past. The AID Director of Training spoke on the plans for phasing AID out, to be replaced by five corporations with State and Defense taking over certain other of AID's present responsibilities. [REDACTED] spoke on 25X1A9a some materials development in our School and on progress with the cassette program.

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2. [REDACTED] visited [REDACTED] and the recently acquired property adjacent to [REDACTED]. The new carpeting at [REDACTED] and extended parking area add to this valuable property. 25X1A6a 25X1A6a The new property which we learned will be called [REDACTED] is excellently 25X1A6a located but will require extensive repair and complete refurnishing before it can be used. When it is completed it will relieve the 25X1A6a scheduling of activities at [REDACTED]

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3. In a discussion with the Chief, FE/[REDACTED] we were informed that 25X1A the COS, [REDACTED] on a recent trip to Headquarters, informed the desk 25X1A6a that he wants more [REDACTED]-language qualified officers. As a result the desk is planning for a large input\* for the January class. By that time the [REDACTED] will be ready for use in the first phase of the course. 25X1A6a \* 30 Oct 1970

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4. [REDACTED] of the German Department paid a visit to the Defense Language Institute last week, to discuss problems of mutual interest with the Chief of the German Branch there. Professor Wilhelm of the DLI expressed discouragement with the badly outdated German materials that the Institute uses, and welcomed the prospect of receiving from us a taped listening comprehension series that Miss [REDACTED] is developing. Professor Wilhelm's tape holdings are meager, but she offered us the use of anything in her collection that might be of value.

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5. Until now there has been no English-Thai dictionary which would include all the vocabulary in the FSI Thai course. There was a Thai-English glossary, which included the most important words in the course. However, if a student wanted to look up an English word he had forgotten, he had to scan the entire glossary to find his word. An English-Thai dictionary has been completed and is now being typed up. This should make self-study easier for the students.

6. We will begin language classes in French, Spanish, Romanian, German, Turkish and Japanese on Monday, 2 November.

7. Personnel Notes:

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a. [REDACTED], our new Chief, Eastern European and Slavic Department, reported for duty on Monday. He has been briefed on the School and his department and met the staff and his faculty. He seems to be settling in quickly.

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b. [REDACTED], a new Turkish instructor, reported for duty on Tuesday. The clearance was fortuitous since we have a new Turkish class beginning next Monday.

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c. [REDACTED] Supervisor of the Russian Faculty, became ill last Monday and is presently in Doctors Hospital apparently suffering from a kidney ailment.

8. Language School Statistics

Students and Classes as of 30 October 1970:

<u>Students</u>	<u>Classes</u>
Full-time - 67	Full-time - 28
Part-time - 176 (58 Hqs.)	Part-time - 43 (11 Hqs.)
(85 BAHLT)	(8 BAHLT)

Language laboratory hours for the week of 19 - 23 October 1970:

Language School - 136  
Headquarters - 87

Twenty language proficiency tests were given during the week of 19 - 23 October 1970.

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Chief, Language School

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